

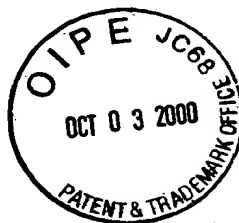


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FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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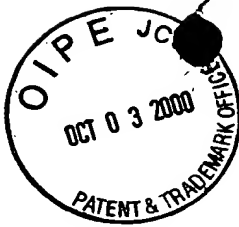
An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$416.
 - \$156 for 2 independent claims over 3 .
 - \$260 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1236.

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Applicant: JOHN WARD

Serial No.: 09/624,136 Group Art Unit:

Filed: JULY 21, 2000 Examiner:

Title: IMPROVEMENTS TO SOLAR STILLs OF THE TILTED TRAY TYPE,
FOR PRODUCING PURE DRINKING WATER

LETTER TO THE COMMISSIONER

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Sir:

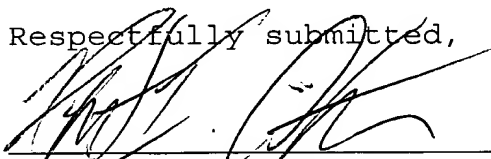
Attached is a copy of the front page of the Notice to File Missing Parts received in the above-captioned application bearing a putative mailing date of Thursday, September 21, 2000.

Also attached is a photocopy of the envelope in which said Notice to File Missing Parts was received, containing a postmark showing an actual mailing date of Thursday, September 28, 2000.

In view of the foregoing discrepancy, the Commissioner is respectfully requested to re-start the period for responding to the Office Action to commence with the actual mailing date thereof.

October 3, 2000

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